Milwaukee County Personnel Review Board

Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2021

I. Roll Call

Board President Daniel Dennehy called to order the regular meeting of the Personnel Review Board at 9:03 a.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2021. The meeting was held telephonically.

The following Board Members were present: Ms. Yovira Moroney, Ms. Phoebe Williams, Mr. Greg Renz, Mr. David Kern and Mr. Daniel Dennehy.

II. Approval of the Minutes of the February 23, 2021 Meeting

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board voted 4-0-1 to approve the minutes from the February 23, 2021 meeting. Ms. Moroney abstained as she did not attend the meeting.

III. <u>Communications and/or comments from the public, if any.</u>

None.

IV. Correspondence

The Board heard a report from Adam Gilmore, PRB Administrator, of correspondence received from Attorney Graham Wiemer. An arbitration hearing was held on March 5, 2021 for the appeal of a previous suspension before the WERC with a briefing deadline set for March 19, 2021. Atty. Wiemer was present and confirmed the information. The Board determined that the matter would continue to be held to the call of the chair and asked Atty. Wiemer to update the Board regarding the progress of this appeal by the end of April 2021.

Mr. Kern moved, Mr. Renz seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (5-0) continued to hold this matter to the Call of the Chair to await the decision on the appeal of Mr. Lezama's previous suspension with an update in the matter expected by the end of April 2021.

V. First Appearances

A. DISCHARGES

STEVEN CEASAR, SERVICE SUPPORT SPECIALIST, DHHS Case #2-4663 dated 02/18/2021

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that Mr. Ceasar has passed away.

The Board acknowledged the passing of Steven Ceasar and closed this case.

JORRYN CHAMBERLAIN, AIRPORT MAINTENANCE WORKER, DOT Case #2-4664 dated 02/18/2021

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Jorryn Chamberlain, has resigned from his position in County service effective March 3, 2021.

The Board acknowledged the resignation of Jorryn Chamberlain and closed this case.

B. SUSPENSIONS

BRENDT VAN WAGONER, DEPUTY SHERIFF I, SHERIFF Case #1-4665 dated 02/17/2021 for IA #21-030 for 11 Days

The Board heard the request of Attorney Graham Wiemer to continue the matter of Brendt Van Wagoner for hearing certain. The Board understands that Atty. Wiemer has made an open records request with the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office. The parties agreed to schedule the matter for hearing certain on May 18, 2021.

Mr. Renz moved, Ms. Williams seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (5-0) to continue this matter for hearing certain on May 18, 2021.

CHRISTAL JESTER, CORRECTIONAL OFFICER I, SHERIFF Case #1-4666 dated 02/17/2021 for IA #20-347A for 3 Days

The Board heard the report of Attorney Craig Johnson, Sweet and Associates LLC, that the employee, Christal Jester, submitted a signed waiver of hearing on the Notice of Suspension.

The Board acknowledged the waiver of hearing and closed this case.

SARAH HEBBE, CORRECTIONAL OFFICER I, SHERIFF Case #1-4667 dated 02/17/2021 for IA #20-327E for 2 Days

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Sarah Hebbe, submitted a signed waiver of hearing on the Notice of Suspension.

The Board acknowledged the waiver of hearing and closed this case.

TERRELL WILLIAMS, CORRECTIONAL OFFICER I, SHERIFF Case #1-4668 dated 02/17/2021 for 20-318A for 5 Days

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that the employee, Terrell Williams, wished to continue the matter for hearing certain on April 6, 2021.

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (5-0) continued the matter for hearing certain on April 6, 2021.

VI. Update

A. DISCHARGE

WESLEY BOONE, DEPUTY SHERIFF I, SHERIFF

Case #2-4634 dated 10/30/2020 for IA #20-280

The Board heard the report of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel, that Mr. Boone has retired from County service effective December 1, 2020.

The Board acknowledged the retirement of Wesley Boone and closed this case.

VII. Hearing

A. DISCHARGE

MARK CESAR, SUPERVISOR FLEET, DOT Case #2-4661 dated 02/11/2021

The Board heard the request of Attorney Kathryn West, Assistant Corporation Counsel to continue the matter of Mark Cesar for hearing certain on March 23, 2021. Currently, Mr. Cesar is working to submit an application for retirement. On March 23, 2021, Attorney West will either provide an update and request the matter be placed to the call of the chair to await the retirement date of Mr. Cesar or the matter will proceed to hearing.

Mr. Renz moved, Ms. Williams seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (5-0) continued this matter for hearing certain on March 23, 2021.

VIII. PRB Legal Services RFP Update

At 9:24 a.m., Mr. Renz moved, Ms. Williams seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to go into closed session to discuss the PRB legal services RFP. At 10:24 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session.

IX. Personnel Matter

At 9:24 a.m., Mr. Renz moved, Ms. Williams seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to go into closed session to discuss the performance evaluation of the PRB Administrator. At 10:24 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session.

a. Performance Evaluation of the PRB Administrator

X. Adjourn

Mr. Renz moved, Mr. Kern seconded, and the Board, by unanimous vote (5-0), adjourned the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Alisha Terry, Administrative Assistant